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PATENT

REMARKS

The status of the claims is as follows. Claims 1, 3-17, 22 and 44 are pending. Claims 2, 10, 19-21, 41-43 and 45-48 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 18, 23-40 and 49-57 are withdrawn. Claims 58-60 are new.

The Examiner has notified Applicants that a non-compliant amendment was filed on November 22, 2005, pursuant to a non-final office action. Specifically, the claim amendments did not recite all of the text of the pending and withdrawn claim. Applicants apologize for this clerical error, and timely submit the corrected claim amendment section.

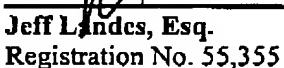
FEES

It is believed that there are no fees due. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate amount to the Deposit Account Number 50-0252.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, applicant respectfully requests prompt and favorable action on all pending claims. In the event that any matters remain to be resolved, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,



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